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CASUALTY MESSAGE

E.O. 11652: N/A
TAGS: CDES, GR (BENEDECK, WALLACE ARTHUR)
SUBJ: DEATHS: WALLACE ARTHUR BENEDECK

TO: MR. AND MRS. J. BENEDECK
1402 CAROL CT.
PALATINE, ILLINOIS 60067

1. IT IS WITH PROFOUND REGRET THAT I MUST INFORM YOU OF THE DEATH
IN GREECE OF YOUR SON, WALLACE ARTHUR BENEDECK. MR. BENEDECK
WAS KILLED IN AN AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT IN THE HELLENIKON AREA,
NEAR THE ATHENS INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT AT 00:30, AUGUST 7.
EMBASSY WAS INFORMED BY THE ATHENS TRAFFIC POLICE UPON
OPENING OF BUSINESS, AUGUST 7.

2. THE EMBASSY WILL TAKE CHARGE OF YOUR SON'S PERSONAL EFFECTS
AND WILL WRITE TO YOU CONCERNING THEIR DISPOSITION.

3. REGRETFULLY, I MUST DRAW TO YOUR ATTENTION THE NEED TO
MAKE URGENT ARRANGEMENTS CONCERNING DISPOSITION OF REMAINS.
GREEK LAW REQUIRES LOCAL BURIAL TAKE PLACE WITHIN 24 HOURS
AFTER DEATH. IF REMAINS ARE TO BE SHIPPED TO THE UNITED
STATES FOR BURIAL, PREPARATION AND AIR SHIPMENT WOULD COST
APPROXIMATELY \$2,400. IF LOCAL BURIAL IS DESIRED, THE
APPROXIMATE COST WILL BE \$600.00. CREMATION NOT AVAILABLE.
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4. AFTER YOU HAVE MADE YOUR DECISION PLEASE TAKE THE FOLLOWING
ACTION:
A. TELEGRAPH INSTRUCTIONS PROMPTLY AND DIRECTLY TO AMERICAN
EMBASSY, ATHENS, GREECE AND INCLUDE THE NAME OF DECEASED IN
YOUR MESSAGE. STATE WHETHER REQUIRED FUNDS ARE BEING
TELEGRAPHED AND BY WHAT MEANS. INCLUDE NAME AND ADDRESS OF

U.S. FUNERAL HOME YOU SELECT IF SHIPMENT DESIRED.

B. TELEGRAPH REQUIRED FUNDS SEPARATELY THROUGH SPECIAL
CONSULAR SERVICES (SCS) DEPARTMENT OF STATE, WASHINGTON, D.C
PAYABLE TO AMERICAN EMBASSY, ATHENS, GREECE.

C. IF YOU ARE HAVING THE REMAINS SHIPPED TO THE U.S. YOU MAY
WISH TO HAVE THE FUNERAL HOME WHICH YOU SELECT MAKE THESE
ARRANGEMENTS FOR YOU.

5. UPON RECEIPT OF THE REQUIRED FUNDS, YOUR INSTRUCTIONS WILL BE
CARRIED OUT AS PROMPTLY AS CIRCUMSTANCES PERMIT. WE ESTIMATE
APPROXIMATELY FOUR DAYS WILL BE REQUIRED FOLLOWING RECEIPT OF FUNDS
TO CARRY OUT INSTRUCTIONS IF REMAINS ARE TO BE SHIPPED. UPON COMPLETION

OF ALL FORMALITIES, A FOREIGN SERVICE REPORT OF DEATH PREPARED
BY THIS OFFICE WILL BE FORWARDED TO YOU.

6. IF NECESSARY, YOU MAY CONTACT THE CONSULAR SECTION OF THE
EMBASSY BY TELEPHONING 718-561, EXTENSIONS 418 OR 419 IN ATHENS,
GREECE.

7. PLEASE ACCEPT OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY IN YOUR BEREAVEMENT.
AMERICAN EMBASSY ATHENS GREECE.
MCCLOSKEY

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